

In more recent times new honors have been shown him. In 1859 the Archbishop of Cologne conducted a solemn translation of his relics; and divers colleges chose him as their patron. In September, 1872, the German bishops addressed a petition to the Holy See for the resumption of his cause. And thus the day may not be far distant when Germany will pray to St. Albert to guide the progress of her future civilization.

—Bro. Urban Cahill, O. P.

OUR HUMBLE KING

Ring out, ye bells, from far and near,
 Ring unto all the faithful here
 And tell them of the Infant born
 In Bethlehem that Christmas morn.

No regal splendor did He seek;
 His parentage was poor and meek;
 His Mother was an humble maid,
 And Joseph plied a lowly trade.

He came to us in poverty,
 Abounding love and charity;
 A stable was His place of birth,
 Yet He the Lord of heaven and earth!

No earthly mansions did He claim
 But spurned all wealth and worldly fame,
 To teach mankind's corrupted race
 And guide it in the path of grace.

He taught the vanity of praise,
 He showed how earthly joy decays.
 Tho' born a king no royal lyre
 Proclaimed His birth, save angels' choir.

So from our new-born Saviour we
 May learn the wealth of poverty,
 And thus life's gilded cup reject
 To take our place with the elect.

—Bro. Raymond Grace, O. P.